Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 18 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 19 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 18 Mar 2023 at 00:06

Confidence: High for showery conditions on Saturday then dry and settled weather daytime on Sunday. Turning more unsettled again from Sunday evening onwards but some uncertainty in track and timings of weather fronts.

Headline for Saturday 18 Mar 2023: Bright spells, showers and some low cloud. Light winds. Mild.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	MIST			
Fog	Fog	Mist	Light rain showers	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	20%	30%	40%	70%

Forecast for Saturday 18 Mar 2023

Weather: Cloudy with perhaps a few light showers, and areas of low cloud, this morning. Bright or sunny spells will develop this afternoon, along with scattered showers, these most light but there is a chance of isolated heavy and thundery showers. A band of mostly light rain will quickly move east early this evening, clearing late evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% becoming 60%, becoming 20% again this evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of low cloud and fog down to low slopes at first. Cloud lifting and breaking late morning to early afternoon, but a few patches may persist, especially on western upslopes. Cloud then becoming widespread again above 600m this evening. Away from low cloud, generally good visibility but dropping to a few km in any showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	12/15 S	9/12 SW	9/12 SW	12/16 W	15/20 W	20/26 NW	21/28 NW
600	10/13 S	8/11 S	8/11 SW	10/14 W	10/14 W	13/19 NW	12/19 NW
300	7/13 S	5/9 S	5/9 SW	8/13 W	7/13 W	9/17 NW	8/17 NW
Valley	7/13 S	5/9 S	5/9 W	7/12 W	8/14 W	9/17 NW	9/18 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	5/1	4/1	5/2	5/1	4/-0	2/-4	0/-6
600	6/3	6/4	7/5	7/4	6/3	4/0	2/-2
300	8/6	9/7	9/8	10/8	8/6	6/3	4/1
Valley	9/7	10/9	11/10	11/9	9/7	7/5	6/3
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1300m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A mild and rather humid feeling day with valley temperatures reaching 12 to 14 Celsius this afternoon.

Forecast for Sunday 19 Mar 2023

Weather: Cloudy but largely dry conditions will quickly give way to clear spells with a touch of frost developing. Then dry for the day with sunny spells and light winds, giving good hill walking conditions. Turning cloudy from the west during the afternoon then outbreaks of rain, falling as sleet or snow above 800m, will spread eastwards during the evening.

Maximum wind: West or Northwest 15mph gusts 25mph early in morning, easing to 10-15mph, becoming south-southwest 25mph gusts 35mph during evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%, although 30% at first and again during the evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Initial cloud will soon clear to leave excellent visibility across all hills. Low cloud and fog becoming persistent above 600m during the evening.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2C rising to 8 or 9C.
At 800m: Plus 1 or 2C.
Freezing level: 900-1000m.

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